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For: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR AEROBIC-  
THERMOPHILIC STABILIZATION AND  
DISINFECTION OF SLUDGE  
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XXXX 3 sheet of drawings;

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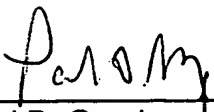
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